Multipolar world order

3177. PROF. SAIF-UDDIN-SOZ: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Russian and Chinese Presidents who met in Kremlin on 1st July, 2005 declared that the answer to most of the evils experienced by the present global society would go once a multipolar world order takes shape;

(b) whether most experts on this subject suggest India as a natural partner in the suggested scenario; and

(c) whether country is prepared for this eventuality?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) On 1st July 2005 a "Joint Declaration of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China on the International Order in the Twenty First Century" was issued in Moscow. The declaration referred to a bilateral joint statement of 1997 between China and Russia on Global Multi-polarity and Establishment of a New Order and stated that the problems facing mankind can only be solved on the basis of universally recognized principles and norms of international law and in a fair and rational world order.

The Foreign Ministers of India, Russia and China met in a trilateral format in Vladivostok on 02nd June 2005. The three countries confirmed that they shared a common approach to key global developments in the 21st century and favoured building a just world order based on the observance of international law, equity, mutual respect, cooperation and progress towards multi-polarity.

Various opinions have been expressed in the media about the joint communique issued after the trilateral meeting in Vladivostok and the declaration after the bilateral Russia-China Summit meeting in Moscow.

Renovation of Bahadurshah Zafar's Mazar in Rangoon

3178. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the mausoleum of the last Mughal Emperor and the freedom fighter Bahadur Shah Zafar in Rangoon is in very bad condition;

(b) whether Government are aware of the damage and decay of the Mazar;

(c) what steps are being taken to renovate the Mazar and give this leader of the first war of Independence a befitting memorial; and

(d) whether Government have made any plans to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the 1857 war of Independence in Rangoon to pay tribute to the last Mughal Emperor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Bahadur Shah Zafar Mazar is maintained by the Government of Myanmar. The Embassy of India in Rangoon regularly assists in the maintenance and renovation of the Mazar.

(d) Government of India has constituted a Committee of Group of Ministers under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the 1857 War of Independence. The programme of celebrations will be drawn up by this Committee in due course.

Strategy to eliminate unemployment

3179. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that from 1991 to 2001 the number of jobless jumped from 14 million to nearly 45 million;

(b) if so, whether these figures are based on registered unemployed with the Employment Exchanges all over the country;

(c) if so, the broad categories of such unemployed persons and what measures Government are adopting to gradually engage them in some kind of gainful activities; and

(d) what is the long-term strategy to eliminate unemployment in rural and urban areas?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) As per the information available from 1991